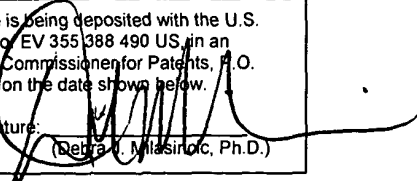


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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the enclosed above-titled International patent application as:

Please cancel claims 1 to 43, without prejudice.

Please amend claim 56, as follows:

56. (Amended) The method of claim 54 or 55, wherein the subject is suffering from type II diabetes.